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- Heinrich Rau, until recently head of the State Planning Commission, left for Moscow on 10 May 1952, ostensibly for a vacation.
- 2. Erwin Kerber has been appointed head of the Zentralamt für Forschung und Technik. It is rumored that the Büro für Wirtschaftsfragen (procurement agency for the HVA) is to be subordinated to the Zentralamt für Forschung und Technik, effective immediately.
- 3. Bruno Leuschner is to become Deputy Minister President in place of Rau; his appointment as chief of the State Planning Commission has been confirmed.

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